



Keswick Methodist Church

I lift up my eyes to the hills.....

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Notices for week commencing 5 March 2017



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Lord, as we enter Lent help us to draw near to you in praise, stripping away all that distracts us from worship.

Break thou the bread of life, O Lord, to me, as thou didst break the loaves beside the sea.

Thou art the bread of life, O Lord to me, thy holy word the truth that saveth me. Give me to eat and live with thee above, teach me to live thy truth, for thou art love.

Amen

Sunday 5 March : Lent 1 - I am the bread of life

10.45am Worship Service & Communion led by Rev Joyce Ellis
John 6:24-35 | John 6: 35, 41-42, 47-59

Coffee and tea will be served in the Grisedale Room after the service. Please join us.

6pm **Fairtrade Service** at Our Lady's Catholic Church

7.30pm **Housegroup:** *I am the bread of life*

This Coming Week :

Tuesday 7 March:

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| 12.30pm | Lent Lunch at Crosthwaite Parish Room |
| 2pm | Redevelopment Group at Grisedale Room |
| 7.30pm | Circuit Meeting at Cockermouth |

Wednesday 8 March:

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| 2.15pm | Keswick Leadership Team at Old Chapel |
| 7.30pm | Singing Group at Holly Bank |

Thursday 9 March:

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| 9.30-9.45am | Vision 21 Time to Pray : where you are |
| 9.30-10am | Prayer Group in the Grisedale Room |
| 10.15-11.30am | Jubilatté – join us for coffee in the Grisedale Room |

Friday 10 March:

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| 7.30pm | Organ Extravaganza with Paul Gregson |
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Sunday 12 March: Lent 2 - *I am the Light of the World*

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| 10.45am | Morning Worship led by Rev David Hasson |
| 6pm | Taize Service in Church |
| 7.30pm | Housegroup: <i>I am the light of the world</i> |

Bible Readings for Lent

During Lent each Sunday morning we'll be looking at the '*I am*' sayings in John's gospel. We've

produced a booklet to accompany the series that contains Bible Readings from John's gospel. It's entitled ***Meeting Jesus in St John's Gospel***. The daily Bible readings mean you can read through the whole gospel during Lent. If you'd like a copy, which also contains prayers and meditations, please collect one from the back of the church (they have a pink cover).

Joyce Ellis (73340)


A Journey Through Lent

North Lakes Foodbank

- **A Story from the Foodbank**

A gentleman came in with a thick file of paper work. He was clearly emotional and at the end of his tether. He had been made redundant from his job of 15 years and he felt he was fighting a losing battle with the "system" and was not sure where to turn next. We chatted to him and were able to connect him with the money advice team. He shared his family's predicament with them and they are currently advocating on his behalf with the "system", with some success.



- The special appeal this week is for :

- ** Tinned tomatoes
- ** Tinned pasta – macaroni cheese, ravioli, etc
- ** Tinned hotdogs
- ** Tinned meatballs
- ** Tinned sponge pudding
- ** Pasta sauce

The tinned hotdogs and meatballs are for the kids' packs which will be given out in the Easter Holidays.

Roy Ellis (73340)

The 40 for 40 Challenge

The North Lakes Foodbank challenges you to give up 40 pence a day for the 40 days of Lent in order to help support a local family in crisis this Easter. If you feel that this is something you could do, please see the poster and leaflets in the Grisedale Room.

Roy Ellis (73340)

Lent Lunches



The Lent Lunch this week is on **Tuesday 7 March** at the Crosthwaite Parish Room. Instead of a talk we'll be seeing an excerpt from ***The Man born to be King***, performed by local actors. See the

separate notice for the complete list of dates and speakers. We still need some more people to help at some of the lunches, particularly 28 March and 4 April. If you feel you could help to lay the tables, serve the soup and/or do the washing up on one or more of the dates, please let me know.

Roy Ellis (73340)



The Word by Derwentwater at Lake Road Chapel

4-11 March from 10am

Exhibition about the history of the Bible and the life of Christ. Please pop in – all are welcome. For more details see the poster in Grisedale Room.

Organ Extravaganza : Friday 10 March 7.30pm



Our next concert is an **Organ Extravaganza**, when



Paul Gregson from Hawkshead will entertain us with a virtuoso organ performance. Tickets £7 available now – have a word with any Church Steward. Again, donations of tray bakes will be very much appreciated. Please mark them with the date of baking, so we know which ones to use first, before you put them in the tall freezer in the kitchen!

Raffle Prizes Needed!

We're running low on raffle prizes for our fundraising concerts! If you have any gifts or vouchers that would make good prizes, please let me know and I can arrange to collect or receive them. Very many thanks.



Sheila Files (79253)



Vision21 Quiz : The March quiz – *Hidden Forest* - is now available at £1. The prize, as usual, is a £10 gift card. The winner of our February quiz was Marion Monckton from Allerby, Aspatria. Well done, Marion.

Helen North & Anne Hasson

Vision 21 Quizzes

We're getting low on quizzes too! If you have one or two (with answers) that you'd like to donate, please let me know. Our regular quizzers will be most grateful!



Anne Hasson (75818)

Journey to Taize : Tuesday 14 March

MWiB (Methodist Women in Britain) Cumbria District invite all to share in a day led by former Vice President of Conference, Gill Dascombe, at Arnside Methodist Church. Gill's theme is **A Journey to**



Taize. Please see the notice in the Grisedale Room for more details. For anyone who'd like to know more about Taize and its music this is an ideal opportunity to hear all about it. Gill is a great speaker and leader and it will be a very informative and reflective day. Two of us are

going from Keswick and I have room in the car for three more!

Anne Hasson (75818)

Methodist Window Sticker

A free Methodist Church Orb and Cross window sticker, which can be used in cars, churches, halls and homes. Simply peel off the backing card and press against clean glass. Tell those that walk and drive past you that you're a Methodist! Pick one up from the table in the Grisedale Room.

Future Dates:

- **27 February-12 March: Fairtrade Fortnight**
- **Tuesdays to 4 April 12.30pm: Lent Lunch** at Crosthwaite Parish Room - proceeds for Christian Aid
- **10 March 7.30pm: Organ Extravaganza** in aid of Vision 21
- **14 March 10.15am-3.30pm: District MWiB event – A Journey to Taize** at Arnside Methodist Church
- **23 March 9.30am-12.30pm: Working Party** - inside and outside Church
- **9 April 6.30pm: St Mark's Passion** at St John's
- **14 April Walk of Witness**
- **16 April Easter Sunrise Service**
- **18 April 10am-4pm: Big Jigsaw Sale** in aid of Vision 21

To all our visitors

- You're very **welcome** to our church today. We hope you enjoy worshipping with us. Please sign our visitors' book and put a pin on the map which is in the Grisedale Room (as you came into church). We'd welcome any suggestions you might have to help us improve our hospitality.
- **Children** are welcome in our services. A box of toys and activities is normally available if you need them. If you prefer, you may sit in the Grisedale Room, where you'll still be able to hear the service. Please ask a Steward if you need any help.
- **Hymn Books:** We normally sing from Singing the Faith and most Sundays the words are projected onto the screen. Hymnbooks are always available in the pews. Please ask a steward if you prefer a large print or tune hymnbook.
- **Loop System:** We have a loop system for those who wear a hearing aid.
- **Website & social media** Please keep in touch with us through our website and our Facebook page. Our website is www.keswickmethodistchurch.org.uk. Please visit us there. You can also find us on Facebook and Twitter. These are good ways to keep up to date on what we're doing.
- **Vision 21** We're raising money to redevelop the church, aiming to start after Convention 2017. You can follow how we're doing by checking in the Newsletter and on the website. And you can follow the travels of the I♥KESWICK bag here too.
- **Easyfundraising:** Collect free donations for Vision21 every time you shop online! Visit www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/keswickmethodist.

Notice Sheet: Please send or phone notices for next week through to Anne Hasson on 017687 75818 or by e-mail to annehasson@aol.com by Thursday evening.